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The following is in response to the office action dated February 5, 2003. Kindly enter the following amendments.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (currently amended)

A skin protective composition for topical use that can prevent contact and passage to the skin of toxic chemicals and irritants found in the cosmetic industry comprising a cosmetic vehicle or base and about [0.5 to about 25] 1.0 to about 10% by weight of a lathering surfactant, said composition being readily removable with water.

Claim 2 (original)

A skin protective composition according to claim 1 wherein said cosmetic vehicle or base is a member selected from the group consisting of gels, creams, ointments, aerosol sprays and lotion.